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TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.
HOME RULE.	HOME RULE.	HOME RULE.	CHINA IN TRANSITION.	AVIATION SCHEME.	COAL CRISIS.	TRIPOLI WAR.
BILL CRITICISED.	MR. REDMOND'S APPROVAL.	UNIONIST ATTITUDE.	QUIET AT NANKING.	ROYAL FLYING CORPS.	PRICE FALLING.	NEW POINT OCCUPIED.
[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 5 p.m. Mr. Herbert Samuel announced to-day that Ireland will probably have separate postage stamps like the Colonies. The severest criticisms of the Home Rule Bill dwell on the composition of the Senate and the inadequacy of the safeguards. It is pointed out that the Senate is nominated in the first instance by a Government dependent upon the Nationalists and ultimately by an Irish Executive in the Irish House of Commons where the Nationalists will have a formidable majority. SAFEGUARDS RIDICULED. The vetoes of the Lord Lieutenant and the Imperial Parliament are ridiculed, as safeguards, it is printed out, nominally exist in the case of the Dominions, but cannot be enforced in practice.—Reuter. MERELY A PALLIATIVE. Sir Edward Carson ridiculed the supposed safeguard of the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament, and regarded it as a palliative for members with some conscience left. He vigorously attacked the Government for introducing the measure while the constitution was suspended, and the lying Preamble to the Parliament Act was still in abeyance. So long as the Government had a majority independent of the Irish, nothing was heard of Home Rule. UNIONISTS' DUTY. "It is our plain duty," he went on, "to oppose the Bill with all the energy we can. I believe it to be an unnecessary Bill, fatal to both countries, and I regard it as the outcome of the greatest series of dishonourable transactions that ever disgraced any country."	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 4.10 p.m. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald approved the Bill, and Mr. Redmond also heartily approved the measure. He said it was idle to tell the House that the safeguards were useless. From the financial point of view alone the Bill ought to commend itself to Englishmen. Speaking also for his colleagues, Mr. Redmond declared that that great measure was one adequate to carry out the objects of the promoters, and they welcomed it. The Bill would be submitted to the Irish National Convention, and he unhesitatingly urged the Convention to accept it. JUDGMENT RESERVED. Mr. O'Brien, while reserving judgment as to details, approved the Bill generally, and appealed to Ulster Unionists to accept it as an honourable settlement of the Irish question. NO SAFEGUARDS. Sir Edward Carson denounced the proposals of the Home Rule Bill as ridiculous and fantastic. The "safeguards," he asserted, were nothing but delusions. Was Mr. Asquith, he asked, going to submit the Bill to the country, or would he assert that the Bill had been before the country?—Reuter. TALK OF ARRANGEMENT. London, April 12, 4.50 a.m. The feature of the debate was the absence of passion or excitement, which it is interpreted by the Liberals as betokening that the controversy, has passed from the heroic to the practical stage. One journal even suggests that there is already talk of an arrangement with the Lords with a view to carrying the Bill in 1912. The measure is hailed by the Liberals as one of the most inspiring to the party. It is pointed out that there are no signs of the formation of oases.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 4.50 a.m. The attitude of the Unionists is frankly irreconcilable. They are delighted with Sir Edward Carson's speech, which they consider as alone sufficient to smash the unworkable Bill, and they sarcastically describe the measure as establishing "freedom under police supervision." They say the finance is unintelligible, and they are confident that the Bill will swell the rising tide of anti-Government feeling in Great Britain. Some analyse the South African constitution, and say it can prove no analogy to Ireland. THE BILL SUMMARISED. Mr. Asquith, in introducing the Home Rule Bill, emphasized the necessity for freeing the Imperial Parliament of local affairs in different parts of the United Kingdom. He then detailed the provisions of the Bill, and said it would be subject to the supreme authority of the Imperial Government, which would consist of the nominated Senate of forty members, 164 members of the House of Commons, of whom 59 would be from Ulster. It would only have power to legislate exclusively on Irish affairs, and there was a list of excluded matters, including land purchase, old age pensions, and insurance, which would be subject to special conditions. There were also special provisions protecting religious equality. He estimated that in 1913 the deficit in Ireland would be a million and a half, but he looked forward to the time when the income and expenditure would balance. The Irish Parliament will have power to reduce taxation, subject to certain reservations, and it will also have limited control of the customs and excise. The Irish representation at Westminster would be reduced to forty-two, but they would have unfettered voting rights.—Reuter.	[Our Own Correspondent.] Shanghai, April 13, 9.43 a.m. The rioting at Nanking has been suppressed. The Cantonese troops behaved splendidly. A FURTHER LOAN. The Belgian Syndicate has signed the preliminary agreement here for a further loan of two millions sterling. TROOPS DISSATISFIED. There is growing dissatisfaction among the Northern troops.—Reuter. TANG FOR PEKING. (From Chinese Sources.) Shanghai April 12. President Yuan Shih-kai has communicated with Tang Shao-yi urging him to proceed to Peking without delay, while the Board of Finance has telegraphed to Wan Chun-yao instructing him to accompany Tang. CONTROL OF CUSTOMS. Lai In-Yik former Taotai of Customs at Shanghai is in negotiation with the Customs Commissioner and the Consuls at Shanghai, as to the resumption of the control of Customs by the Republican Government. RAILWAY DIRECTORS. President Yuan has telegraphed to Li Yuan-hong asking him to recommend men suitable for appointment as directors of the Canton-Hankow and the Szechuan-Hankow Railways. BOMB EXPLOSION. At the Nanking College while the students were working on some bombs one of them exploded and one investigator was killed. The laboratory was greatly damaged. CHING DECLINES. The gentry and citizens of Kiangsu have telegraphed to President Yuan asking him to appoint Ching Tak-chuen as Governor-General of the province; Ching however declines to accept the post and recommends Ting Po-chuen or Yui Sik-kwong for the post. Those, however, the people will not accept.—"Shat Po."	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, April 13, 7.15 a.m. An Army Memorandum states that the Government has been impressed with the condition of aerial navigation in Britain compared with the progress of other great powers. It proceeds to outline the Government's scheme. By special permission of the King, the service is to be called "the Royal Flying Corps." TWO SCHOOLS. In addition to the Central Aviation School at Salisbury Plain, it is proposed to establish a provisional Naval School at Eastchurch. The ultimate development of the latter depends largely on the impending experiments with hydroplanes. INCREASING THE RESERVE. The Government believes that a considerable proportion of qualified aeronauts in England can be attracted to join the reserve, which will be available for any part of the world. The scheme comprises measures to encourage and secure the co-operation of private enterprise.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 13, 5 p.m. Coal has fallen ten shillings a ton to 30/- or 35/- in London. DEMANDS MET. London, April 12, 2.40 p.m. The South Wales Surface-men's demands have been settled. AMERICAN POLITICS. A FREE FIGHT. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 4.10 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Bay City, states that at the Michigan Republican State Convention, the supporters of Mr. Taft gained early possession of the hall, and excluded the followers of Mr. Roosevelt, who rushed the doors and climbed in through the windows. When the chairman of the meeting in support of Mr. Taft rose, a leader of the Roosevelt party leaped on to the platform and began to speak. He was thrown off by one of Mr. Taft's supporters, and a free fight ensued. The police and militia restored order. Mr. Roosevelt's supporters withdrew after choosing delegates. The Taftites selected a rival delegation. A CLEAN SWEEP. London, April 12, 4 p.m. The Bangor correspondent of Reuter states that the Maine Republican Convention has elected ten Rooseveltites to the National Convention, which means a clean sweep in Maine, as the first district has already elected two Rooseveltites. HOME POLITICS. A BYE-ELECTION. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 4 p.m. Sir J. D. Rees, Unionist, and Mr. Dobson, an ex-M. P. for Plymouth in the Liberal interest, are the candidates for the East Nottingham election.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 12, 4 p.m. Reuter's Rome correspondent says a new point has been occupied in Tripoli on the Peninsula of Macabaz. The troops on April 11th occupied the Fort of Buchello, meeting with no resistance. CANTON NEWS. (The "Telegraph" Correspondent.) Canton April 12. On account of the outbreak in Swatow six British war craft were despatched to the scene of the trouble to protect British interests. Ng Cheung-tai who was sent by the Canton Governor General to restore order, having succeeded in his mission, has requested the British authorities to withdraw their war vessels and up to the present only two out of the number has left the port. Consequently Ng has written to the Governor General informing him of the state of affairs and asking him to approach the British government for the recalling of all the vessels. Vice President Li Yuan-hong has telegraphed to the Governor General pointing out that since the revolution the merchants at Hankow have suffered severe losses and that some time must necessarily elapse before the trade can again resume its former proportions. The Hankow Chamber of Commerce has communicated with the Vice President to the effect that Swatow merchants are at present experiencing much difficulty in collecting their debts from merchants trading in other ports and unless the various Chambers of Commerce act in collaboration throughout the Empire to collect debts and insure business integrity the revival of trade in this district will at the times remain problematical. The Vice President has accordingly asked the Governor General to instruct the Commission for the promotion of Industries to notify the Chambers of Commerce throughout the province that they are required to ascertain the names of those merchants who have not yet settled their debts and to call on them to do so without any further delay. The plague in Whampoa is spreading fast. A steamer while making a short stay had to land her passengers at Whampoa before proceeding to Canton and in their wanderings, ashore, two of them caught the disease and died before they got to Canton. Plague has also made its appearance in Canton and the Governor General has ordered the officials to make every effort to stamp out the dread disease. The Nanking Assembly has telegraphed to the Canton Governor General, the Provisional Council and the Press Society informing them of the decision of the government to transfer its headquarters to Peking. The members will assemble at Peking on April 21. Many of the troops of the regular force stationed at In-tong outside the eastern gate of Canton have been transferred to the interior of the city. The Governor General has directed the Head of the Finance Department to notify the Customs and the Lokin Stations that both the new and the old notes are to be accepted as legal tender in payment of ink and customs dues. 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TELEGRAPH."

OUR
CONTEMPORARIES.

WHAT THEY THINK?

China Mail.

China's Currency Reform.
If the Republic brings, as it is
sincerely to be hoped, a settled
government and a new era of
trade and commerce in its wake,
the need for silver on the part of
China will be great, and this
must affect appreciably the price
of silver. A marked rise in the
price of silver measured in gold
will be an opportunity of which
we think India will not lose sight.
It may, however, be urged that
she will not be inclined to dispose
of her hoards of silver rupees to
China, which would entail on her
a loss of 35%—the exchange of
silver rupees at their metal value
for gold. We have, however, a
precedent in the action of Ger-
many after the Franco-Prussian
War. It will be remembered
that Germany then in her cur-
rency reform called in the silver
thaler with amazing rapidity
which she sold at any price she
could get—too rapidly she after-
wards found—for her wholesale
selling caused a marked fall in
the price of silver. This whole-
sale of silver certainly estab-
lished her gold currency (assisted
by the indemnity of 201 millions
sterling from France) though the
change was hardly effected in a
manner very scientific or
economic. Still if a far-seeing
country like Germany was pre-
pared to pocket a considerable
loss in changing her silver
standard for a gold one, there is
no reason why India under more
favourable circumstances should
not do likewise. The problem is a
most interesting one—one which
will be watched with keenest
attention by statesmen and
economists in all parts of the
world.

Daily Press.

Little Cause for Gloom.
The people have at length dis-
covered their strength, and though
provincial prejudices and dif-
ferences may keep them apart
for a time, they may be trusted
to see that the reforms which
they have been led to expect are
brought about in course of time.
The criticism of their country-
men and the opinion of foreigners
will prove a corrective to any
tendency to lapse from the path
of that democratic form of
government which is foreshadowed
for the land, and the fact that
practically no finger was raised
on behalf of the Manchu dynasty
by the people themselves proves
clearly that the Chinese, if they
have not developed their plans
sufficiently to put into words all
that they hope to achieve, know at
least what they do not want, so
that it is safe to presume that any
government which does not fol-
low constitutional lines in future
will be short-lived. Of course,
too much is not expected at pre-
sent, and though the new regime
may be far from satisfactory,
judged from the constitutional
point of view, there seems to be
little cause for any gloomy fore-
bodings, as those interested in
constitutional government seem
to be confident in the good inten-
tions of the President, the Ad-
visory Council, and the other offi-
cials working with them, espe-
cially, too, as events have develop-
ed so far with greater rapidity
and much more smoothly than
could have been hoped for by
those who are acquainted with
the conditions obtaining in China.

South China Morning Post.

The Simla of the Philippines.
Our American neighbours in
the Philippines have again and
again defied the elements that
war against every device of man
and science to create a highway
to the mountain capital of the
Island of Luzon. Storm and
typhoon spread disaster, the la-
bour of years is brushed lightly
aside, only to be proceeded with
again. The enterprise of our
American cousins is refreshing—
it scorns disaster, and, when we
realise the vast expenditure of
time, labour and money on the
creation of an imposing mountain
city, in the midst of a vast
amphitheatre of nature where
thousands of stately pine trees
stand as stalwart sentinels, it
seems a pity that the need should
arise for a Manila paper to be
compelled to advocate through
its columns the desirability of
running an occasional night train
to the Simla of the Philippines,
particularly during the holidays.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR LIABILITIES, DUTIES AND POWERS.

Foreword.

The following article is a continuation of the one published last week, dealing with the subject of the meetings of a Company. The principal point now dealt with is the position of the chairman at such meetings. His duties are to see that the proceedings are conducted in a proper manner and that the sense of the meeting is properly ascertained with regard to any question submitted for consideration. He cannot declare a motion carried if it is made obvious to him that it is not approved of by the majority. A poll may now be demanded by any five members present at a meeting, notwithstanding restrictions in the articles of association. It is not necessary that a resolution should be proposed and seconded before it is voted upon.

(Continued from last Saturday.)

It is almost invariably provided by the Articles of Association of a Company (as it is by Table A) that the Chairman of the board of directors shall preside at every general meeting of the Company. As Lord Selborne L. C. said in the case cited of *In re Zoedene Co.*, "the chairman who presides at the meetings and has to receive the poll and declare its results, has, prima facie authority to decide all emergent questions which necessarily require decision at the time." He cannot, however, neither can the directors as a body, postpone any meeting which has been properly convened (*Smith v. Farington Mines, Ltd.* (1906) 2 Ch. 193) unless it is specifically provided by the Articles of Association that the directors shall have power, in their discretion, to postpone a meeting. Also, unless it is so provided by the Articles, the chairman of directors cannot adjourn a meeting against the wishes of the majority of shareholders. His power and duties as chairman at a general meeting are defined by Chitty J. in the case of *National Dwellings Society v. Sykes* (1894) 3 Ch. at p. 162, in which he said: "Upon questionably it is the duty of the chairman, and his function, to preserve order, and to take care that the proceedings are conducted in a proper manner, and that the sense of the meeting is properly ascertained with regard to any question which is properly before the meeting. But it is not within the scope of his power to stop the meeting at his own will and pleasure. The meeting by itself can resolve to go on with the business for which it is convened, and appoint another chairman."

As regards the business which it is proposed by the directors should be transacted at a general meeting of shareholders, the directors are at full liberty to exercise their influence as they please, in a legitimate manner, to persuade the shareholders which way to vote. (*Campbell v. Australian M. P. Society*, 24 T. L. R. 623.) And a director may himself, as a shareholder, vote at a general meeting in respect of a proposed contract in which he is personally interested. This is so upon the principle that although a director is not allowed to enter into engagements in which he has a personal interest which

possibly may conflict with the interests of those whom he is bound by fiduciary duty to protect; should he do so, such engagements may afterwards be affirmed or adopted by the Company, if not illegal, or if not fraudulent or oppressive towards the minority. If therefore they may be subsequently ratified, they may be previously consented to; and, moreover, every shareholder, as such, has a perfect right to vote upon any question with which the Company is legally competent to deal, whatever his personal interest therein may be. (*N. W. Transportation Co. v. Beatty* 128, C. 539.)

Unless it is otherwise expressly provided by the Articles of Association the votes of shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by a show of hands, unless a poll is demanded, and thereupon "the person present is only counted once however numerous may be the persons whom he represents" (*Brace v. Luma Gold Mines* (1897) 1 Ch. 1). It is a case of 'one man one vote' without regard to the number of shares held by each. By Section 70 (3) of the new Companies Ordinance (Section 69 of the Act of 1908) it is expressly provided that, at any meeting at which an extraordinary or a special resolution is submitted, a declaration of the chairman that the resolution is carried shall, unless a poll is demanded, be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution. A declaration of the chairman to this effect is nevertheless not conclusive if it is obviously erroneous—that is to say, "if the chairman makes a declaration, and in it actually gives the number of votes for and against the resolutions which he is bound to recognise," and then declares the resolution carried "although the numbers stated by him show that the required majority has not been obtained." (*Buckley J. in Curial (New) Mines, Ltd.* (1902) 2 Ch. 498.) The intention of the Legislature in framing this Subsection was for the benefit of the Company—to relieve it and its officers from the necessity for going to the trouble and expense of an investigation at the instance of a few opposing shareholders; and also for the benefit of others affected by a resolution declared to be carried, who might be prejudiced by it being subsequently found, upon investigation, that the declaration, though made bona fide, was erroneous. It was not intended to give the chairman power to make any declaration he pleased, regardless of the actual, and plainly ascertained, facts. To be conclusive the declaration must be made bona fide, in the belief, though it be erroneous, that the sense of the meeting has been ascertained.

If the persons present and entitled to vote at a meeting are not satisfied with the chairman's declaration, it is expressly provided by Section 70 Subsection 4 of the new Companies Ordinance, in the case of the submission of an extraordinary or special resolution, that a poll may be demanded. This poll must be demanded by three persons entitled to vote, or, if the Articles so require, by a greater number, not however exceeding five. A provision in the Articles of Association of a Company that at no general meeting can a poll be demanded by less than, say, seven persons, holding a certain proportion of the shares, would therefore, it is submitted, be invalid, for the Legislature has expressly enacted that where important business has to be transacted at a meeting, requiring an extraordinary or special resolution to authorise it, three, or not exceeding five, shareholders have a right to demand a poll. The provisions of the Subsection are evidently intended to safeguard the interests of the shareholders, and to prevent undue oppression (*See Payne v. Cork Co., Ltd.* (1900) 1 Ch. 308.)

It has been held that, at common law, any person entitled to vote has a right to demand a poll (*R. v. Windledon Local Board* Q. B. D. 459), and therefore were it not for this statutory provision, and in the absence of any regulation in the Articles, one dissident member might demand a poll, and so create unnecessary trouble. Now, in the case of special business to be

transacted at a meeting of a Company, there must be three, or in some instances five, but this number is sufficient.

The repealed Ordinances of 1865, by Section 92 (Section 51 of the Act of 1902), provided that, at a meeting convened for the purpose of considering a special resolution, a declaration of the chairman that the resolution had been carried should be deemed conclusive "unless a poll was demanded by at least five members." But it did not expressly enact, as does the new Ordinance, that five members should have a right to demand a poll. It is possible, however, that this might have properly been inferred, and that such a right existed notwithstanding contrary provisions in the Articles. It was nevertheless held in the case of *R. v. Government Stock Co. 3 Q. B. D. 442* that, where the Articles of Association provided that a poll should be taken "if demanded by shareholders qualified to vote" and holding in the aggregate "2,000 shares," a shareholder who only held in his own right 20 shares, but held proxies for more than 2,000, was not alone entitled to demand a poll, because he did not himself hold the qualification required by the Articles. The inference from this is that, while the Articles overrode the common law right of anyone to demand a poll, it would have been held that they must also be looked at to ascertain whether those demanding a poll were qualified to do so; and therefore that if, in the case cited, five shareholders, holding only 1,500 shares in the aggregate, had demanded a poll they would have been held disentitled to make such demand. It is submitted that this could not be held under the law now existing, where the Articles contain similar provisions to those in the case cited.

The latter part of the Subsection 4 of Section 70 runs as follows:—"Unless the Articles of the Company require a demand by such number of such persons, not in any case exceeding five, as may be specified in the Articles." On this a contention may be raised that, where the Articles so provide, a poll may be demanded only by "such persons as may be specified in the Articles"—that is to say, persons holding between them a certain number of shares. But it is submitted that the words "such persons" refer to the persons mentioned in the earlier part of the Subsection—"persons for the time being qualified to vote"; and that the words "as may be specified in the Articles" refer to the number of persons so specified, and not to any conditions which may be imposed in the Articles restricting the right of small shareholders to demand a poll, as in the case last cited. The wording of the Subsection is, however, apparently somewhat ambiguous.

On the taking of a poll, it is provided by Subsection 5 of Section 70 that, in computing the majority, reference shall be had to the number of votes to which each member is entitled by the Articles of the Company.

The Articles of Association of a Company invariably provide, as it is provided by Table A, that a poll shall be taken in such manner as the Chairman shall direct; and it may be taken at the same meeting at which it is demanded (*In re Chillington Iron Co.* 29 Ch. D. 159). Although the Chairman has power to direct the manner in which a poll shall be taken, he cannot, unless such a course is contemplated by the Articles, direct that it shall be taken by means of voting papers, signed and delivered at the offices of the Company on or before a fixed day, for "prima facie, in order to vote the person who is entitled to vote must attend and personally give his vote" (*MacMillan v. Le Rio Co.* (1906) 1 Ch. 331).

Directors should take care to see that a copy of every special and extraordinary resolution is forwarded to the Registrar of Companies within the time limited by Section 71 of the Ordinance (28 days from the confirmation of a special, or from the passing of an extraordinary resolution) for if they wilfully permit default to be made in this respect they, in addition to the Company, are liable to a penalty.

DEATH OF FORMER HONGKONG RESIDENT.

The "Straits Times" of the 3rd instant says:—"We have been informed by Mr. Adis, of Messrs. Adis and Ezekiel, share brokers, Singapore, that a wire has been received by the local agents of the P. and O. Company to the effect that Mrs. F. S. Clarke, who was a passenger on the s.s. Nile, died on shore at Port Said, yesterday. Much sympathy will be felt for Mr. F. S. Clarke in his sudden bereavement. It is all the more sad because Mr. Clarke had made arrangements to go home to join his wife about the end of the year. Out of respect the offices of Messrs. Adis and Ezekiel, with whom Mr. Clarke is engaged, were closed for the afternoon. Mrs. Clarke had not been in the best of health for some time, but previous to her departure for home she had improved greatly, and it was thought that the sea voyage would enable her to regain the old country in the best of health. Her many friends in Singapore and also in Hongkong, where she was very well known, will learn with regret the news of her sudden death."

Mr. Clarke left Hongkong about two years ago. He was accountant in the International Bank. The deceased lady was well known to many in Hongkong as Miss Gray and was for some time prior to her marriage a nurse at the Victoria Hospital.

It may be said to be the invariable practice at general meetings for a motion to be both proposed and seconded before it is put to the meeting by the Chairman. It has, however, been held that, although this is the usual course, "if the Chairman puts the question without its having been either proposed or seconded that would be perfectly good" (*Jessel M.R. in Harbury Bridge Co.*, 11 Ch. D. at p. 118).

The death has occurred of Mr. John Chilton, aged nearly eighty, landlord of the Robin Hood Hotel, Epping Forest, for nearly half a century. About thirty years ago he championed the lopping rights of the commoners of Epping Forest when it was dedicated to the public. He carried on the fight with dogged perseverance, and lost thousands of pounds over it. He built the Robin Hood, a favourite resort of Londoners, in 1897.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" publishes an article on Denmark's concession to a syndicate for constructing a huge harbour at St. Thomas Island (a Danish possession) in the West Indies, about 1,100 miles to the eastward of Panama). The article points out that Russian financiers, together with a Danish Princess (sister of Queen Alexandra—and of the Dowager Empress of Russia) own the bulk of the stock in the syndicate. The object of the enterprise is, it is declared, to give Russia a footing near the Panama Canal.

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THE HOME RULE BILL

The Home Rule Bill has been introduced at long last, though the Liberal Government appears to have avoided the task as long as possible. In the light of results of recent bye-elections it is not surprising that the stimulated enthusiasm for Home Rule has died out to some extent. Liberal Ministers and their followers in the House of Commons are evidently beginning to realise that this is the rock on which their bark is to split. It is not too much to say that the ordinary Liberal member who has advocated Home Rule for months has not quite known himself what he meant by Home Rule. On no great question have so many vague and uncertain words been spoken.

It is interesting, therefore, to recall what Mr. Gladstone himself understood Home Rule to mean in 1885. In the autumn campaign of that year he pleaded for a majority large enough to enable him to refuse the Nationalist demand, and he appealed to his audience whether the British people were going to make themselves "ridiculous in the eyes of the world" by granting this demand. He described the Home Rule leaders as "steeped in treason; marching through rapine to the dismemberment of the Empire." In the House of Commons he had previously announced, in reference to the same leaders, that "the resources of civilisation were not yet exhausted against its enemies." There were words of the utmost lucidity. Mr. Gladstone, at this time, appeared to realise the fact that a majority in an Irish Parliament against the Queen's Government would go directly to separate the kingdom from the British Crown; also, that if such majority continued, separation or war would be the inevitable issue.

It is a matter of history how the election of 1885 resulted in Mr. Gladstone being refused a sufficient majority for his purpose; how he discovered suddenly that Home Rule was the one thing needed, how he found that the "enemies of civilisation" were quite the opposite, and how he managed on the one hand to convert a goodly party of his own party and, on the other, to read his party from top to bottom.

The danger is the same to-day as it was in 1885 when Mr. Gladstone voiced it. Mere weight of numbers must make the Catholics supreme in Ireland under Home Rule. The alleged "safeguards" are not sufficient, and, with the example of Norway and Sweden staring them in the face, the British people are not willing to try the same experiment. Home Rule for Norway resulted in separation, and the same may happen with Ireland. But the people at Home have not been asked to express an opinion, and the deliberate refusal to submit the Bill to the country is a wanton violation of all political decency.

DAY BY DAY.

Every hour of lost time creates a chance of evil for the future.

Today's Paper.

The series of articles on "Directors, their liabilities, duties, and powers" is continued on page 3. Local Sport will be found on page 10 and the short sermon on page 7.

H. M. S. Flora has returned from Mrs. Bay.

The destroyer flotilla leave Hongkong for the north on April 23.

The dead body of a youth was picked up in the harbour yesterday. Death was apparently due to smallpox.

At the Magistracy this morning a Chinese was charged with smuggling native wine into the Colony. He was fined \$25.

Guilford Town Council have decided to advertise the attractions of their town in India, Ceylon, and Colonies.

John Evans of Carmarthen-shire, South Wales, and late of the H. M. S. Minotaur was sworn in at the Magistracy this morning on joining the police force.

At Peterborough Bankruptcy Court Judge Wheeler gave final approval to the composition of 7s. 6d. in the pound made by the Marquis of Huntly on behalf of his creditors.

A "China in London" exhibition is to be held at the Crystal Palace during the summer. There will be reproductions of Chinese streets and buildings and a native theatre and restaurant, while Chinese trades and professions will be represented.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. D. Melbourne this morning with being in possession of two revolvers and 99 rounds of ammunition without having the necessary permit. The defendant, it appears, arrived in the Colony only yesterday and informed his Worship that he was going to China to take up a position under the government. He was fined fifty dollars.

Police Changes.

It is understood that Inspector Kerr is to succeed Inspector Langley in charge of Water Police, and Inspector Cameron is transferred from the Peak to Yaumati, while Forgt, David goes from the Central to the Peak.

Deputy Appointment.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Harold Green to act as Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department during the absence on leave of Mr. William James Tutcher or until further notice.

Clay Drying Patent.

Messrs. Shewen, Tomes Company, of 27 Leadenhall Street, London, E.C., England and Hongkong have by assignment become the proprietors of Letters Patent issued on the 27th day of November, 1911, to Conrad Field Mendenham, of 85, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C., England, in respect of an invention entitled "Improvement relating to a process for clay drying."

Ringling the Changer.

How justice can be cheated by the Chinese was brought to light in the police court this morning when a Chinese was charged before Mr. E. A. Irving with aiding and abetting a fellow-prisoner in the Victoria Gaol to escape. The prisoner was in gaol on a short sentence and the man who escaped was in for a long term. Whether it was done for a consideration or not has not transpired, but the prisoner exchanged clothes with the long sentence man, and when the former's short period had transpired was discharged from prison in his place. The trick was discovered yesterday when an inspection was being made.

The prisoner was remanded.

The English Mail of March 16 was delivered in London on April 12.

There were no cases of suicide last year in Guildford (Surrey), the population of which is 23,800.

The report of the Divorce Commission appointed by the present Government, will be published in July.

The Chinese aviator, Tom Gunn, has been fatally injured in a fall of a hundred feet at an aviation meeting in Oakland, California.

Owing to a legal decision in Bale, Switzerland, English book-makers who migrated from Fushing and Middelburg will have to leave Bale.

It was stated in a case in the Wandsworth County Court that "rosewood pianos" were simply made of coloured mahogany, there being no such thing as pianos made of rosewood.

"May the present generation," said Father Bernard Vaughan in New York recently, "not be known to its successors as that of the soulless body, the creedless church, and the childless home."

Thieves who broke into a dry goods store at Hackensack, New Jersey, so denuded the noise of the explosion of the safe by covering it with 1,800 yds. of flannel that not even people living next door heard a sound.

A petition has been presented to the Essex County Council, asking for a new bridge at Coggeshall, over the river Blackwater, in the place of the present one, which was built by the monks from Little Coggeshall Abbey in the reign of King Stephen.

A jury who at their own request were supplied with notepaper at Sussex Assizes were told by the judge that if 12 men took 12 different sets of notes they were almost sure to disagree and that it was the custom to place confidence in the judge and rely upon his notes.

We are indebted to the Swedish Consulate for three beautifully illustrated booklet issued apropos of the Olympic Games at Stockholm in July. The international committee is evidently sparing no pains to make the games a success, and these booklets should be of great interest and service to intending visitors.

Three Chinese were charged at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon with highway robbery in the Western District. It appeared that as two men were about to go out in a sampan they were seen by the prisoners who robbed them of clothing and money to the extent of \$130. They were each sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The greater part of the stamp collection of the Earl of Crawford, who has for many years been one of the greatest British philatelists, has just been sold to Mr. W. H. Peckitt. Lord Crawford is keeping his English stamps and those of the United States, and will in future specialise in these two countries only.

False Reports.

Another instance of how fictitious reports hinder the police in their work in the Colony has come to hand at 8 o'clock this morning. A Portuguese schoolboy went to the Police Station and reported that at 7.30 a.m. yesterday he was met by three Chinese who robbed him of \$55. He was going up Glenahilly at the time, on his way to school, and one of the Chinese threatened him with a revolver while the others relieved him of the money.

All this morning detectives were engaged on the matter, and after making considerable enquiries they found that the whole report was false and that, in fact, the boy had given the money to a person who is known to the police.

FINAL TEST MATCH.

A Victory for England by 70 Runs.

The weather was gloriously fine on February 20, when the last test match was resumed, and the wicket at the Oval, under the influence of the sun and wind, was displaying its usual marvellous powers of recovery, and was nearly dry when the rival captains went out to inspect it. They could not agree as to its fitness for play, and the umpires decided that a further inspection should be made at one o'clock. Only the light roller was used.

A start was made at five minutes past one, and not a single paying spectator was present when the first ball was bowled, the authorities being slow in opening the gates. Mounds of sawdust were in evidence at both ends. The wicket was dry on the surface, and favoured the bowlers.

Australia, who at the close of play on Wednesday had scored 193 for the loss of three wickets, continued their second innings, Armstrong (23) and Minnett (40) being opposed by Barnes and Woolley. Armstrong got the Staffordshire bowler's fourth delivery to the leg boundary, and scored a couple off his sixth. Woolley, who was bowling to the worse end, began with a maiden over. Both bowlers were rising awkwardly.

After Barnes had sent down a maiden over Minnett, with an on-drive for a single off Woolley's twelfth ball reached his individual 50, and sent up the second century. Then Armstrong scored 2 for an off-drive from a no-ball delivered by Woolley, and at this point the luncheon interval was taken, with the total at 202 for three wickets—Armstrong being 31, and Minnett 50.

On a fresh start being made, the same pair of bowlers conducted the attack. The wicket was bad in patches, and the batsmen were very watchful and cautious. Woolley opened off the wicket, but then sent down several dangerous balls, while Barnes bumped shoulder high. Armstrong, in recklessly attempting a big hit off the latter, was bowled by a yorker for 33—a very useful innings for his side. The fourth wicket fell at 209, and Minnett, with his score at 56, was partnered by Ransford.

Woolley's Fine Catch.

The newcomer in scoring 4 with a leg hit off Woolley, was nearly run out by Hobbs, but his pace just saved him. Ransford made a fine hit off a full toss from the Kent bowler to the on-boundary. It was nearly 6. With the total at 220 Ransford was bowled by Woolley with a ball that broke back, and Macartney then joined Minnett. The latter, after nicely glancing Barnes for 4, fell to a magnificent one-handed catch off that bowler by Woolley at second slip, the fieldman throwing himself sideways to secure the ball. The outgoing batsman, after a weak start, played first class cricket for his contribution of 61, which included nine 4's.

With six wickets down for 231 Carter came in. Macartney got Woolley away with a leg hit for 3, and Carter repeated the stroke for 4. At 245 Foster took the ball from Woolley, but with the total unaltered the Warwickshire captain gave way to Rhodes. Macartney offdrove the latter's first delivery for 3, and Carter made a similar hit off his second for a single. Macartney then scored a couple of 4's off his third and fourth balls respectively with a hit to the on and an off-drive.

The crowd were delighted and cheered out, "Keep him on." Foster displaced Barnes at 261, and Carter sent him to the on boundary. The same batsman then scored 4 off Rhodes with a square cut amid great enthusiasm. Woolley resumed for Rhodes at 271, and Macartney placed his first delivery through the slips for 2. Following this he made a perfect glance off Foster to the track.

The next ball from the Warwickshire amateur bumped, and Macartney, in trying to repeat his last stroke, was easily taken by Woolley at fine leg for a brilliant 27.8. Horden was next in, and Carter sent the Kent bowler to the boundary with a leg hit, but shortly afterwards the Australian wicket-keeper was secured at fine.

leg by Woolley off Foster. Rain was beginning to fall, and with the total at 287 for eight wickets an adjournment was made for tea, Horden's score then being 4.

Run Out by Hobbs.

Hazlett accompanied Horden to the wicket at the resumption and Foster and Barnes shared the attack. Before any addition had been made to the score Horden was run out, Hobbs brilliantly throwing the wicket down. This brought Hazlett and Macartney together, and former drove Foster's sixth ball to cover. He then scored a couple with a square cut off Barnes, and followed with a leg hit off the same bowler for 2, but with the total at 292 he was taken at square leg by Rhodes off Foster. This brought the innings and match to a conclusion, the Englishmen winning by 7 runs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A Budget of Questions.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on Monday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will ask the following questions:—

With reference to the matchless which is being put up on the lot of land to the West of the Hongkong Club, will the Honourable the Director of Public Works state:—

(1.) Who is erecting the said matchless?

(2.) For what purpose the said matchless is being erected and subject to what terms and conditions?

(3.) For what reason the said matchless contains two stories?

(4.) Whether any rent is to be paid by anybody, and, if so, by whom for the use and occupation of the said matchless?

(5.) Whether it is intended that any, and, if so, how many coolies and/or workmen should be housed in the said matchless, and for what reason or reasons?

(6.) If the said matchless is being erected in connection with the carrying out of any Public Work, what is the nature of such Public Work, and what is the contract-time and contract-price for the completion of the same?

(7.) Why are bricks being piled up on the ground to the North of the said matchless?

AFTER 22 YEARS.

Farewell to Inspector Langley.

Yesterday afternoon members of the Hongkong Police Force gathered at the Police Recreation Club to bid farewell to Inspector A. C. Langley who leaves for home to-day on the English mail, after completing 22 years service in the force.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse Deputy-Superintendent of the Police in bidding the Inspector farewell and making a presentation of a toilet set for Mrs. Langley, and a purse of gold, on behalf of the members of the force, paid a high tribute to the departing officer and spoke of the high popularity he had earned both in the execution of his duty and in the sports field.

Inspector Langley briefly replied and referred in glowing terms to the improvement in the Police Recreation Club since the headquarters had been established in Happy Valley.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, 14th April, 1st Sunday after Easter. Holy Communion 8.15 a.m. Matins 11 a.m. Responses: Festival; Venite: Alcock; Psalms: Robinson, Dupins; Te Deum: Woodward, Smart, Turle; B. medicine: Barnby; Hymns: 129, 140, 132; N.B.—Psalm 71, verses 1, 2, 7, 12, 20 in unison; Psalm 72, verses 1, 2, 8, 17, 18 in unison. Evensong 6.45 p.m. Responses: Festival; Psalms: of the 14th evenings; Magnificat: Nund Dimitis: Stanford in A.; Anthem: Awake up, my Glory: Barnby; Hymns: 499, 130; Sevenfold Amen; Voluntary: Variations on Hymn 130, Balfate; N.B.—Psalm 73, verses 1, 2, 11, 12, 21 in unison; Psalm 74, verses 1, 11, 13, 14, 15 G. P. in unison.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Irish "Party."

At a moment when Mr. John Redmond's star is, temporarily at least, in the ascendant, it is worth remembering that with one exception, Mr. Redmond is the Irish party. Mr. Dillon counts for very little in Ireland; Mr. T. P. O'Connor is practically an English Radical. The majority of Mr. Redmond's followers are men of no account, with a leaning of well-to-do merchants, often in the House much against their will. There are a few men of intellect like Mr. Stephen Gwynn, one or two humorists, and one champion talker, Mr. Swift MacNeill. And there is Mr. Joseph Devlin.

The Molly Maguires.

Mr. Devlin is a remarkable person, an Irish political boss who would have shone in New York. He was originally a protégé of the venerable Samuel Young, member for Cavan, and began life (as the Irish political boss has often done) in the liquor trade. But politics claimed Mr. Devlin early. He is the head of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, a secret society, and therefore anathema to the priests and yet a society from which Protestants are rigorously excluded. The Hibernians stand for all that is bad in Irish public life—intolerance, ignorance, bitterness. They are the Molly Maguires whom Mr. Redmond must obey, and with whom Mr. Asquith has been forced to deal.

History of the Quack.

The lament of a London coroner on the increasing sale of quack remedies recalls how the quack has always flourished in England. In the time of Henry VI., for instance, qualified medical men were seeking power to search for "false or sophisticated" medicines. It was the same in the eighteenth century: "I find far-water succeeded to Ward's 'leap' (a famous pill), wrote Lady Mary Montagu in 1748. 'The English are, easier than any other nation, infatuated by the prospect of universal medicines.' The money which 300 years ago was given for the health of the soul is now given for the health of the body, and by the same sort of people—women and half-witted men."

Speakers and Phrases.

It is the reporter, writes one of them, who most fully realises the taste of public speakers for stereotyped phrases. Some of these "gags" have the ghost of a by-gone literary flavour about them, such as "the length and breadth of the land"—a favourite at district council meetings—and "stay our hand," which is the pet expression of local government economists everywhere. "At one and the same time," "I for one," "I feel quite sure in my own mind," and "I happen to be the chairman of that committee" are others beloved of municipal orators. The deep modesty which dictates "happen" in the last instance is admirable. Men who in tramcars speak of journalists as "the papers" feel it necessary on platforms to call them "the public prints," and the more muddled a speaker is the more he reiterates "I say distinctly" (often "distinctly"). When it comes to imagery we hear of a councillor's desire "to saddle this expense on the right shoulders"—a very strange bit of saddling surely—and quotations from standard authors reach our ears thus: "In order to reduce 'the ill that human flesh—er—suffers from'."

At the wedding of a Leicester fireman, a lamented in ruins of a half-burned church, the bridegroom was conveyed to the ceremony on a motor fire-engine, and his comrades formed an arch of axes for the newly married pair.

The Royal Military Benevolent Fund for the relief of officers' widows and unmarried daughters has received a grant of 2000g. from the War Office from profits on the sale of seals to view the Coronation procession, and an anonymous gift of 4500g.

THE GYMKHANA.

Good Sport this Afternoon.

There was a good attendance at the Racecourse, this afternoon, when the Jockey Club Gymkhana was held. Fields were good, and some fine racing was witnessed.

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His Excellency Hon. Mr. Chaudhry, Sir A. L. Winstone, R.N., K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G., His Excellency Maj.-General C. A. Anderson, C.B., Commodore J. C. Eyres, R.N.

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By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel Hamilton and Officers, the Band of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry played the following Selections:—

- 1.—March "Le Patrie" Manceilli.
- 2.—Overture "Pique Dame" Sup. c.
- 3.—Waltz "Remembrance" Joyce.
- 4.—Selection "Patrie" Fullan.
- 5.—"Serenade" Moszkowski.
- 6.—Two Step "Happy-go-Lucky" Lampa.
- 7.—Selection "Romeo & Juliet" Gounod.
- 8.—Scenes "Vienna" Verdi.
- 9.—Patrol "The British" Arch.
- 10.—Gala "The Platers" Fricke.

1.—3.30 p.m.—Half Mile Flat Race.—For non-winning Subscription Grifflins of the Season 1911-1912. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced runners allowed 3 lbs. Jockeys who have won more than 3 official races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin penalised 7 lbs. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., with \$50 added. 2nd Prize: \$52.

Mr. Ching's Lots of Time, 152lbs. (Seth) 1
Mr. Ellis Kadorio's Mogul Chief, 155lbs. (Jervois) 2
Mr. Michael's Reformer, 155lbs. (Gedge) 3
Comdr. Lamb's Fanning, 155lbs. 0
Mr. Dick Turpin's Firebrand, (late Cadzow's Loon) 152lbs. 0
Mr. Bruton's Ashington, 152lbs. 0
Mr. C. M. Meyer's Rheinland, 149lbs. 0

Lots of Time got away after a delay and was followed by Cadzow's Loon and Fanning. These positions were little changed until rounding the Home bend when Mogul Chief challenged on the rails, but he was overhauled in the last few yards by Lots of Time, Seth riding strongly and eventually winning by half a length, a length and a half separating the second and third.

Time, 1 min. 11.5 seconds.
Cash Sweep:
Ticket No. 33... \$220.95
43... \$ 65.70
36... \$ 32.85

Par-Mutuel:—
Winner paid \$30.

2.—3.50 p.m.—Gymkhana Stakes.—Value \$100. Distance, One Mile. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 8 lbs. Winners of an open race or open Griffin race of Ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Gymkhana Stakes in any season 5 lbs. extra. Non-winning Subscription Grifflins allowed, 5 lbs. Jockeys who have won more than 3 official

races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin penalised 7 lbs.

A Cup to be run for five times called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented at the end of the Season to be won by the Pony scoring most marks in the races for the Gymkhana Stakes at the Gymkhana Meetings during the Season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third. The benefit of marks already scored to pass with the Pony on a sale. Any winner of the race to carry 5 lbs. extra for each win in subsequent starts for the Race, but in the event of a pony carrying the penalty not winning, 2 lbs. to be deducted next time he starts. Such 2 lbs. penalty without deduction. Penalties accumulative up to 15 lbs. In the event of two or more Ponies lying with the same number of marks after five races have been run the owners shall either divide the value of the Cup which is hereby placed at \$400 or shall run off on a day to be fixed by the Committee not being the same day as the last race for the Stakes but within two weeks thereafter. In the event of a run off the weights to be carried shall be weight for inches as per scale. Entrance fee \$5. 2nd Prize: \$25. Entrance fees to go to winner.

Nevis 151lb. 1
Mr. Gilpin's Snowdrift, 146lb. 2
Mr. Billard's Daisy (late White Daisy) 146lb. 2
Mr. Ellis Kadorio's Norman Chief, 146lb. 3
Mr. C. H. Ross' Ben Macduh, 151lb. 0
Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Favonius, 151lb. 0
Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Snow Glory (late Ben 151lb. 0
Mr. Bruton's Joss Mighty, 151lb. 0
Father O'Flynn's Rosyth 151lb. 0
Father O'Flynn's Demure 146lb. 0
Mr. Hastings' Merry Scot, 146lb. 0
Mr. A. R. Lowe's Birlingham, 146lb. 0
Mr. Asger's Brushwood Bay, 146lb. 0
Mr. H. P. White's Delford, 146lb. 0
Mr. T. F. Hough's Madrigal, 146lb. 0
5 lbs. penalty.

3.—4.10 p.m.—Ladies' Nomination. Three Furlongs Scurry.—For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of any season and bona fide Polo Ponies certified as such by the Secretary Hongkong Polo Club and which have regularly played prior to the April, 1912. Catch weights 152 lbs. Winners of races including races on off day and at all Gymkhana and Regimental Meetings of one race 7 lbs. extra, of two races 14 lbs. extra, and of three or more races 21 lbs. extra. Jockeys who have won more than 3 official races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin penalised 5 lbs. Ponies to be nominated by a Lady.

When entering for this event Competitors are requested to give Lady Nominators name also particulars of races won by pony (if any).

Entrance fee \$5. First and Second Prizes for ladies presented by the Gymkhana Club. Owner of winning Pony to receive \$50.
Mr. H. P. White's Delford; Mrs. C. H. Humphreys 160"
Mr. Pepp's Tregon, Miss Kekewich 160"
Mr. T. F. Hough's White Heather, Mrs. Chatham 159 lbs.
Mr. C. M. Meyer's Rheinland, Miss E. Haake 152
Capt. G. T. Brierley's Perseus, Mrs. Anderson 152
Mr. A. U. Collis Brown's Kongai, Miss Gordon 152
Comdr. Lamb's Fanning, Mrs. Lawder 152
Father O'Flynn's Delusions, Mrs. C. H. Ross 152
7 lbs. penalty, 14 lbs. penalty.

The Regimental Sports of the 25th Punjab, will be held on the U.S.R. Ground on April 17, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. The following events will be open to the Garrison:—3.50 p.m. 1.2 mile, open to Native Troops \$10.8; 5 p.m. 1.2 mile, open to British Troops \$15.8.

MILITARY AVIATION IN FRANCE.

National Appeal for An Aerial Fleet.

[By M. H. Danolov in the "Daily Chronicle."]

When the German Kaiser recently offered a prize of £2,000 from his Privy purse for the encouragement of a mechanical side of German aviation, one wonders if the omniscient Imperial mind foresaw the effect of this patriotic offer upon France and her citizens.

The Kaiser's resolve to give financial and moral support to the cause of aviation in the Fatherland has had a remarkable repercussion in France. The Association Generale Aeronautique of France had not long been born when the Kaiser spoke. It aimed at the creating of a national movement for the developing and encouraging of military aviation in France. But the Association was first and foremost a patriotic one, and it seemed to have been born under an unlucky star, and its very sponsors feared that the weakling organisation was destined to perish of inanition. The intervention of Wilhelm II. in favour of German aviation has, singularly enough, proved to be the salvation of the moribund French Association. It suddenly became endowed with new life and energy. Yesterday, the Association Generale Aeronautique was as dead, it had few members, and possessed but little influence. To-day, all that has changed, the Association has become a power and force for patriotic self-denial in the land of France, its members are over a hundred thousand, and it has a committee in every city and town of any importance from Dunkirk to Nice and from Perpignan to Nancy.

Supremacy of the Air.
Its working motto may be said to be "Semper Paratus," and in the future it will be no fault of the Association if France is not always ready to hurl back any foe that may attempt to invade her territory. The German Eagle is having its talons overhauled in readiness for fierce and desperate work on the day of the aerial Armageddon. Very well, says the Association, the Gallie Cook must not be behindhand, it must have its spurs sharpened and be provided with one or two extra sets for use in case of national emergency.

The body which, in matters aerial, has now sprung into as prominent a public position as that occupied by the Navy League in England or the Aerial League in Germany, lays it down as an axiom that France must maintain the supremacy of the air. It is considered to be as vital to her existence as a nation as is the supremacy of the sea to England. Unquestionably, France, up to within a few months ago, was the first aerial Power of the world. Her aerial fleet was the largest and best equipped, and her aviators the most daring and skilful in Europe. Her sons have fearlessly yielded up their lives in attempting to solve the problem of aerial navigation.

Now Germany is rapidly building aeroplanes, and those she cannot build herself she seeks to purchase from French manufacturers. In addition, the German fleet of dirigible airships is being augmented. Because of all this France has taken the alarm. Her Eastern frontier stands temptingly open to a boldly-conceived aerial raid. Only the other day the aviation section of the French General Staff affirmed that there were no insurmountable difficulties in the path of a German aerial fleet that sought to bombard Paris. Sailing from Metz and Strasburg, for example, the hostile aeroplanes, their rate of speed gauged by the average French standard, would arrive over Paris in three hours. From a perfectly safe safe altitude they would proceed to launch high-explosive bombs. Their mission fulfilled, they would seek to regain German soil. If hard pressed, they might take refuge in the neutral territory of Belgium. It has been estimated that seven hours would be ample for the carrying out of the whole project—the departure of the fleet, the bombardment of the city, and the escape of the raiders back over the frontier.

Aims of the Association.

So France, with or without reason, believes that her command of the air is threatened by her powerful neighbour across the Rhine. She feels it is time to baste herself. Parliament is to be asked to vote this year £800,000 for aviation purposes, but the Aeronautic Association aims at much more than this; it is asking the people to endow France with an aerial fleet which shall stand preeminently first, and there is little question but that it will succeed.

The Association, happily, for the patriotic object it has in view, is non-party and non-political. Its working platform has been made sufficiently wide to embrace all shades of French opinion. "France, la patrie" is its watchword.

The Association and its programme on Sunday last in the large amphitheatre of the Sorbonne achieved a triumphant success. What struck me, chiefly about the gathering was its representative character, its spontaneity, and its fervid enthusiasm. Soldiers and lawgivers, the bourgeoisie and the proletariat were in the assembly hall. "Tiger" Clemenceau the man who, seemingly at will, destroys and recreates French Ministries, was on the platform in the midst of half a score of political foes; but the big tricolour flag which occupied so conspicuous a place at the back of the speaker's rostrum was capacious enough to envelop all its dissentient children under its sheltering folds. They had not on non-contentious ground to advocate the claims of "La Patrie," and there is something in the way a passionately speaking Frenchman pronounces this word which sends a thrill of emotion through the hearts of his French listeners. Certainly, a vibrating chord was struck by essentially patriotic utterances of the various speakers.

"Would," said one speaker, "that aviation had had its birth under the third Napoleon." And the train of his thought was easy to follow. Think of what the possession of two aeroplanes could have meant to MacMahon combating an enemy of whose numerical strength and strategic dispositions he was almost entirely ignorant! There might probably have been no Froeschwiller and Wissembourg, no "lost provinces" to lament to-day.

A Successful Appeal.

Someone remarked that Germany shortly would be in possession of three hundred aeroplanes. "In that case," said another, "France will have to have six hundred!" The keynote of the appeal launched by the Association was: "Frenchmen, close up your ranks and stand shoulder to shoulder, discard your egotism, indifference, mistaken amour propre, and party vindictiveness."

General Maunoury, Military Governor of Paris, and a score of subordinate officers went round kopi in hand and collected the people's obols. "Pour La patrie," they said, and it was sufficient. In the galleries the uniformed students of the Ecole Polytechnique used their bicorne hats as collecting boxes for the sous and francs that are to help to buy aeroplanes for France. But there were not enough collectors, so the women responded to the appeal for volunteers. Borrowing masculine hats, they gathered in fresh funds. French people as a rule are not noted for a tendency to open their purses very widely, but the voice of the Aeronautic Association has not been raised in vain. From end to end of the land there has been a most generous response to the appeal for funds. Money has been poured into the lap of the Association as it has never been poured forth since those dark days when the French peasant emptied the carefully-hoarded contents of his bag de laine in order to provide the ransom demanded by the invader.

In the provinces the Association is reaping a rich harvest. Picardy, Poitiers and Orleans have already undertaken to provide an aeroplane each for the national fleet. Prince d'Arenberg is presenting three machines through the committee of the department of the Oise.

QUEEN OF SIAM'S JEWELS.

Story of Purchase From A Chinese Gambler.

At Bow-street Police Court Jules Paul De Roseek, alias Paul De Boscok, 31, described as a journalist, was charged on remand under the Fugitive Offenders Act with feloniously receiving jewelry which had been stolen at Bangkok while in course of consignment from London to the Dowager Queen of Siam.

A written statement by the accused declared that it was known in Bangkok that he lent money on goods and jewelry.

The statement proceeded that a krani (steamer's clerk) who had lost heavily at a gambling house applied to the accused for a loan of 2,000 ticals, on the security of a small box of pearls. He lent him 920 ticals on that security, and received a receipt for 1,000 ticals. On the following morning the man told him that he had lost all this money and asked him if he would buy the pearls. He (the defendant) asked him where the pearls had come from and the man then admitted that they were stolen, but he did not say who the owner was. "I understood it was part of a cargo. I gave him another 500 ticals and the pearls became mine by purchase. My object in not informing the police of the occurrence was three-fold:—(1) I feared the worry and annoyance the matter would cause me, as I was in a very bad state of health. I was suffering from facial paralysis and brain trouble, due to climate, opium, and other causes; (2) it was only a little while back that I had made a continued attack in the Press on the police and the rottenness of the system. This caused a radical change to be made, one of the Royal Princes who was then in charge being transferred to another department; (3) it was a notorious matter that stolen property was dealt with impunity, the native police usually retaining it, when seized, for their own private benefit and rarely restoring it to the rightful owners."

The Magistrate committed the prisoner to the Straits Settlements for trial.

FELLOW-TRAVELLERS.

One of the effects of this coal strike (of which you have doubtless heard), and one which, to our mind, is particularly remarkable, is the curious geniality it has injected into railway-travellers. In the old prosperous days, when each company ran as many as one or two fast trains every day, we were wont to regard the man who entered our compartment with the frozen, rather than the Glad Eye. We looked at him as if we wondered how he could possibly look tolerably respectable and yet be such a frightful boulder as to intrude on our privacy. This was especially so when we were in a carriage of a class higher than that stamped in clear letters on our ticket. But now—now we are General Herbert, thelet-em-all-come-men. We grin at the person who is thrust in at the last moment by the guard ("Get in anywhere, sir"). We even exchange badinage with him, as he balances himself on the arm of our seat. The fact is, in England at the present moment there is a pleasant atmosphere of the desert island of our boyhood. We are all survivors from the wreck, all friends. If the strike lasts a few weeks longer, the English character will change entirely. Instead of nursing a passion for solitude on our travels, we shall call out to attractive strangers on the platform to come and join us. It will be the old stage-coach days over again.—The "Globe"

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VICTORIA, B.O. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	"AWA MARU, Capt. I. Iizawa, T. 7,000 SADO MARU, Capt. M. Tanaka, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 23rd April, at Noon. TUESDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
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S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	June 4th, Noon.
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LOG BOOK.

Wrecked in China Sea.

The "Siam Observer" of March 26, says:—With respect to the rescue of the distressed crew of an Annamite junk by the Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Paklat, we are able to supplement yesterday's brief details. Our representative called on Captain Wenzel who said:—We were on our way down from Swatow to Bangkok, and rough weather had been encountered. On the 21st instant, about nine o'clock in the morning, we saw an Annamite junk, showing signals of distress and evidently in great need of help. We bore down upon her, and found out she had lost all her sails and rudder, carried away in a gale. Their fresh water and provisions were ruined by the sea, which swept over the junk. At first owing to the heavy sea running it was dangerous to go to her assistance. We steamed alongside, however, so as to give a rope.

I could not make myself understood, as they did not speak French or German, and I saw them lying down praying, and raising their hands for help. Their ship, in the trough of the sea, was in a very bad position. I went alongside and got a tow rope on board. I made signs to them to fasten the rope round the ship. Nearly everything on board had been carried away. It was about 40 miles away from Cape St. James, and I thought it would have been easy to bring the junk to shelter in port, but on account of the rough weather and high sea this was not possible. Instead of fastening the rope around the hull of the vessel they simply fastened it to the stern, and lashed it to the foremast, and round the masts. I attempted to get away with her, but the sea was very rough, and the lashings were carried away. Both masts were dragged out from their sockets, and I found it impossible to go further. I then cut the rope and took the crew on board my ship. My chief officer Engels put off in a small boat, manned by a Chinese crew to the rescue of those on board the distressed junk. As soon as they saw the boat coming the crew of the junk were overjoyed, and when the rescuing craft approached they jumped into it, the little boat being nearly capsized. Eventually the whole eleven were brought off safely. They were in a terrible state, not having had anything to eat for several days, and no fresh water to drink. When we looked after them a bit and gave them something to eat they recovered. The junk was derelict, and so we set her on fire to prevent her becoming a danger to navigation.

A daring theft from the Indian Museum was reported to the Calcutta police on March 21. That morning the curator of the Victoria Memorial Collection found that the glass case in which an India site was kept had been broken open and the gold strings of the site and key used in tightening the strings, as also a crown shaped ornament surmounting the site, had been stolen. The site was one of the first gifts to the Victoria Memorial Collection and it is a mystery how the thief managed to get at it, as the theft must have been committed in the day time.

A report has reached Calcutta from Gyantse giving a short account of a fight in the neighbourhood of the town between Tibetans and Chinese. Detachments of Chinese troops were attacked and twenty of them are said to have been killed. These troops are possibly the body kept together by a Chinese major who inflicted serious loss upon the Tibetans at Gyantse in January. Mr. David Macdonald, trade agent in the Chumbi Valley, is acting in a similar capacity at Gyantse pending arrival of Mr. Gould, C.S., who has been appointed to fill Captain Vail's place.

SHORT SERMON.

man say, I love God, and his brother, he is a liar.—I v, 20.

you love God?"

question were put to you what would be your reply you would say "Yes," much hesitation.

to you love God?

may think you do. You el in your heart a re-affection for the Author being. You may even a sure you love your in heaven."

you ever tested yourself important point?

ou ever honestly tried to whether or not you love

it would be worth your give the question a little consideration this

can I determine this you ask.

y yourself, into a room will not be disturbed the good open world-fulness of His love is expressed in sky, air bounties of the na-

yourself about the at- your fellow-beings— whom you work; are to work for you; are daily associated home, the office, the

feel for such compa- associates—feel for them to be helpful to them, of them, fair and kind in all your h them?

an interest in their comfort and happiness? willingly give up of your own comfort p them when they are

an answer "Yes" to na, you love God in ure.

spect the rights of ore than the rights "Do you feel some responsibility for the y of all children, of the old, the lonely es? Would you do to prevent the over- women and the hard e boys and girls? questions you can "you love God in ure.

areful of the many u for your use and areful not to waste e you and to share ose who are deserv- fits and blessings? you love God in just

with your lips, "I do you act these our hands and live r life?"

answer to this last nds all of it.

er how much you g about loving God, est of your attitude nker is what you u your attitude to- ow-beings!

not maltreat the an you really loved. ou would prove be- ight say that you hat man.

t, neglect, ignore e children of earth," rothers and sisters, you do not love

waste or be greedy of that Father is lack of love for e is shown to you u draw, every e, every use you e sense and senses e are endowed.

fe has given you, e greatest gift is ivo to others, and use of this gift answer to the vital you love God?"

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Granado, A. Ritchey, E. Harris, J. B. Russell, H. O. Jensen, Mr. E. V. Romanoff, A. D. Johnson, T. J. Rosenthal, W. Lamm, H. de Scofield, Mrs. H. C. Lapicque, P. A. Smith, D. N. Lijetico, Miss F. E. Siewa, G. M. Lugbl, V. Sullivan, J. Main, Lieut. P. Ward, E. B. McLaughlin, M. A.

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GRANTSMUR.

Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Haselfoot, Lieut. & 2 children & Mrs. Aston, Lieut. and Jones, Dr. & Mrs. Mrs. Evans Bentley, J. Mackenzie, A. Caldwell, Mr. & Mrs. Smith, Mrs. G. Carleton, A. E. Thomas, H. P. Chibchen, S. J. Wilson, L. G. Gaskell, Mr. and Wood, E. M. Mrs. W. H. Grant Smith, Mrs.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

Eastern Extension.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension Office at Hongkong:—

Bard, Peak Hotel, from Ox-nardal.

Benjamin, Passenger Austria Lloydiano, from Shanghai.

Boteler, Hongkong Hotel, from Manila.

Captain Hunt, Punjabis, from London-Sub.

Compton, from Manila.

George Desbion, from Manila.

Hunelouge, Pathongkaihow Street, from Port Louis, Mauritius.

Jaun Wah, Connaught Road, from Friesland.

Konghaplong, from Manila.

Konhoplong, from Hoilo.

Kwongyuk, from Singapore.

Lambert, from Manila.

Leongwa No. 30, Third floor, Pottinger Street, from Bangkok.

Major Alonzo Gray, steamer Yuensang, from Manila.

Mansfield, from Manila.

Mo, from Kuala Lumpur.

Mr. Vong Fong Chee Chaiman-kwok Middle Market, from Saigon.

Nichols, from Manila.

Quanglong, Bonham Strand, from Cienfuegos.

Quinan, passenger Korea, from Manila.

Schillige, from Manchester.

Taytianglong, from Samarang.

Teongyank Crop Sangcheong Twenty Main Street, from Kuala-kubu.

Tautonia, from Bangkok.

Yapkonfah, 120, Teekpootow, from Kuala Lumpur.

Yuenfat, from Bangkok.

0088, 3168, 2075, 5887, from Tientain.

J. M. DECK, Superintendent.

Great Northern.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

Anatolia.

Chaney, E. A., Hongkong Hotel.

Chioang.

Chonglunglong, Mercer Street.

(2) Chunhingohan, Wing Lok St.

Cudahy, Hongkong Hotel.

Golkengoe Sienyu.

Hangsingtai.

Kwonheeyin.

Liese, Passenger Princess Alice.

More Astor.

Pderson Bradley.

0022, 3883, 1344, 7127 (2).

0022, 3883, 2212, 2052.

2480, 0342, 3152, 5887.

2404, 7127.

2905, 1595.

3300, 1344, 5894, 0337, 0077, 0448.

H.K. Station April 14, 1911.

E. V. JESSEN, Acting Superintendent.

FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

BRITISH.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. A. Lowndes
Astrea	2nd class cruiser	4,380	10	7,000	Captain E. B. Kiddle
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	—
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Com. B. G. Washington
Batomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt. Com. J. M. Barker
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Capt. H. Lynes
Cambrian	2nd class cruiser	4,380	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond
Cherub	Water tank and tug	390	—	340	Master W. Smith
Clio	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Veale
Fama	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt. Com. H. S. Monro
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.
Handy	Torpedo boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt. Com. R. R. Rowman
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,000	Lt. Comdr. Maxwell
Kent	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt
Kinska	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt. Com. H. Marryatt
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	14,000	—	27,000	Capt. G. C. Cayley
Monmouth	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. L. E. Power, M.V.O.
Moorhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Comdr. G. P. Leith
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. P. E. Hunt D.S.O.
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	—	240	Lt. Comdr. M. Murray
Otter	Torpedo-boat	385	6	5,300	Comdr. Lamb
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell
Prometheus	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. P. H. Warleigh
Ribble	T.B.D.	500	—	7,500	Lt. Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. J. S. Tyndall
Rosario	Depotship for submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt. Comdr. N. E. Archdale
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. G. B. Hartford
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. Maurice Leslie
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	305	—	5,000	Lt. Comdr. Brickenden
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,050	6	—	Comdr. Eyres
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Com. Hon. Guy Stopford
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt. Com. M. Baillie Hamilton
Usk	T.B.D.	500	—	7,500	Lt. Comdr. B. W. Blunt
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	390	6	5,300	Lt. Com. H. D. Adair-Hall
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	626	—	450	Lt. Com. R. J. Hancock
Welland	T.B.D.	500	—	57,000	Lt. Com. E. T. Chambers
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	300	5	5,000	Lt. Com. G. B. Hartford
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Comdr. M. H. Wilding
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt. Com. M. B. Blackwood
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt. Comdr. G. F. Mulock

* Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Winslow, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G.

Submarines:—

No. 36,	Lieut. Comdr. Godfrey Herbert	West River.
No. 37,	Lieut. Comdr. A. A. L. Fennell	West River.
No. 38,	Lieut. Comdr. J. R. A. Coddington	West River.
T.B. 035,	Lieut. Comdr. Woodward	West River.
T.B. 036,	Lieut. Comdr. Davies	West River.
T.B. 037,	Lieut. Comdr. Nicol	West River.
T.B. 038,	Lieut. Comdr. Seymour	West River.

AMERICAN.

Adder	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. M. Murray	Manila
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	17	7,900	Com. C. S. Williams	Yokohama
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign E. S. Root	Manila
Barry	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	En. Robt. W. Cabaniss	Manila
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign Stuart W. Calk	Canton
Chauncey	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign L. N. McNair	Manila
Chattanooga	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. John D. McDonald	Amoy
Cleveland	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. Hugh Rodman	Cavite
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign R. J. Fletcher	Manila
Decatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	8	—	Ensign C. S. Graves	Manila
El Cano	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. Com. W. D. Brotherton	Yangtze
Helena	Gunboat	1,397	18	1,800	Com. R. O. Bitter	Yangtze
Jairo	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Cavite
Maduro	Gunboat	170	5	—	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	Manila
Moccasin	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign E. D. Whorster	Manila
Mohican	Station ship	1,900	—	5,244	Ensign Robt. V. Lowe	Cavite
Monadnock	Monitor	4,084	4	5,200	Com. H. A. Bispham	Cavite
New Orleans	Cruiser	3,430	25	—	Com. William G. Miller	Yokohama
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	—	Lieut. George C. Pogram	Cavite
Porpoise	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign L. C. Van de Carr	Manila
Queros	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Cavite
Rainbow	Cruiser	6,206	14	—	Lt. Comdr. A. N. Mitchell	Cavite
Samar	Gunboat	242	8	250	Ensign N. H. Ooss	Yangtze
Saratoga	Protected cruiser	8,150	25	7,075	Comdr. Joseph L. Jayne	Yokohama
Shark	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign Neddy M. Jensen	Manila
Villalobos	Gunboat	370	9	500	Lieut. W. L. Friedell	Yangtze
Wilmington	Gunboat	1,397	20	1,894	Comdr. W. A. Edgar	Hongkong

* Flagship of Rear-Adm. John Hubbard, Commander-in-Chief U.S. Asiatic Fleet.

GERMAN.

Emden	Cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff	Tsingtau
Gneisenau	Armoured cruiser	11,600	36	26,000	Captain v. Usstar	Tsingtau
Ilia	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Varselow	Tsingtau
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtau
Lucho	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tsingtau
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtze
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Kosing	Shanghai
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	5,500	Capt. Lut. Berrenberg	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obt. z. S. Claassen	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Luppe	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lut. Fehr Fireks	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obt. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai

FRENCH.

Dupleix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	—	Hongkong
Kleber	1st Class cruiser	9,700	12	19,600	—	Saigon
Decade	Gunboat	845	10	1,000	Lieut. de Linares	Saigon
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. d'Estienne	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Biscail	Canton
Pelion	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Puech	Tongkin
Esturgeon	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Combet	Saigon
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Marrs	Saigon
Perle	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Seriot	Saigon
Styx	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	—	Saigon
Fronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	—	Saigon
d'Iberville	Destroyer	250	9	—	—	Saigon
Takou	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. Mortenot	Hongkong
Pistole	Destroyer	307	6	300	Lt. de la R. Keranderson	Saigon
Mousquet	Destroyer	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Vauban	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Lieut. Bihel	Cap. St. Jacques
Veteran	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—	Saigon
Manche	Surveying-ship	1,025	10	9,000	Com. Ragot de Touche	Saigon

* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.

* Flagship of Commodore Boucaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.

PORTUGUESE.

Macao	Gunboat	700	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. J. Milheiro	Macao

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, April 5, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

		Cts.
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Mei Lung Pa	lb. 20	20
" Corned,—Hum Ngau Yuk	" 20	20
" Roast,—Shiu	" 20	20
" Breast,—Nagu Lam	" 10	10
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	" 15	15
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	" 20	20
" do.—Sirloin Cotom—Ngan Lau	" 30	30
" Sausages,—Ngau Chung	" 24	24
Bullock's Brains,—Kao	per set 9	9
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each 45	45
" corned,—Ham Ngau Li	" 60	60
" Head,—Ngau Tan	" 6	6
" Heart,—Ngau Sum	" 12	12
" Lump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	" 18	18
" Feet,—Ngau Kask	" 9	9
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	" 9	9
" Tail,—Ngau Moi	" 18	18
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb. 12	12
" Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	" 6	6
Calve Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1	1
Mutton Chop,—Young Pei Kwat	lb. 22	22
" Leg,—Young Pei	" 22	22
" Shoulder,—Young Shau	" 20	20
Pigs Chitlings,—Chai Chong	" 22	22
" Brains,—Chu Know	per set 13	13
" Feet,—Chu Kark	lb. 12	12
" Fry,—Chu Chak	" 25	25
" Head,—Chu Tau	" 15	15
" Heart,—Chu Sum	each 13	13
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	" 9	9
" Liver,—Chu Con	lb 30	30
Pork, Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	" 20	20
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	" 24	24
" Leg,—Chu Poi	" 24	24
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	" 15	15
Sheep Head and Feet,—Young Tau Kark	set 60	60
" Heart,—Young Sum	each 6	6
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	" 9	9
" Liver,—Young Con	lb 24	24
Smoking Pigs, To Order,—Chu Chai	" 22	22
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	" 20	20
" Mutton,—Sang Young Yau	" 22	22
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	" 20	20
" Sausages,—Ngau Chai Chong	" 20	20

POULTRY.

		Cts.
Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb 32	32
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	" 32	32
Ducks,—Ap	" 27	27
" Ducks,—Ap	each 27	27
Doves,—Pan Kau	" 24	24
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan	per doz 24	24
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb 35	35
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	" 32	32
Geese,—Ngai	" 27	27
Geese, Wild Shai,—Shang-ho Yea Ngai	pair 27	27
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	each 27	27
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	" 70	70
Partridge,—Che Khoo	" 70	70
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair \$ 170	170
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each 36	36
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	" 25	25
Quail,—Um Chun	" 23	23
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheul	dozen 25	25
Saipes,—Sa Choy	each 25	25
Turkeys, Cook,—Phor Kai Kung	lb. 05	05
" Hen	" 05	05
Wild Ducks, Shai,—Shang hoi Sui Ap	" 27	27
Teal,—Sui Ap Chui	" 27	27
Wild Ducks Canton,—Sang-Shing Sui Ap	" 27	27

FISH.

		Cts.
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb 9	9
Bream,—Bin Yu	" 10	10
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	" 10	10
Carp,—Li Yu	" 22	22
Catfish,—Chik Yu	" 18	18
Codfish,—Mun Yu	" 18	18
Crabs,—Hai	" 20	20
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	" 15	15
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	" 14	14
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	" 11	11
Dog Fish,—Tit Tu Sa	" 8	8
Eels, Congor,—Hoi Mann	" 15	15
" Fresh water,—Tam Sin Yu	" 16	16
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	" 28	28
Frogs,—Tien Kai	" 32	32
Garoupa,—Sek Pan	" 52	52
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	" 12	12
Herrings,—Tso Pak	" 20	20
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup	" 28	28
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	" 10	10
Loach,—Wu Yu	" 28	28
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	" 20	20
Monkfish,—Mung Yu	" 24	24
Mullet,—Chai Yu	" 15	15
Oysters,—Sang Hoi	" 20	20
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	" 16	16
Perch,—Tau Loo	" 15	15
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	" 8	8
Plaice,—Pan Yu	" 22	22
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	" 28	28
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	" 28	28
Prawns,—Ming Ha	" 8	8
Ray,—Pai Pa Sa	" 8	8
Rock Fish,—Sek Ka Kung	" 15	15
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	lb 4	4

肉食

Shark,—Sa Yu	" 9	9
Skate,—Po Yu	" 10	10
Shrimps,—Ha	" 22	22
Snapper,—Lap Yu	" 24	24
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	" 18	18
Tenoh,—Wan Yu	" 18	18
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	" 20	20
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	" 57	57
White Bait,—Ngau Yu Chai	" 2	2

FRUITS

		Cts.
Almonds,—Hung Yau	lb. 25	25
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	" 15	15
" (Choofoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	" 15	15
" Small,—Hoi Tong	" 15	15
" Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	each 15	15
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 3	3
" (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	" 1	1
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lut	" 14	14
Carambola,—Young Tue	" 12	12
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tso	each 12	12
Lemons, China,—Ning Moong	" 10	10
" American,—Kum San Ning Moon	" 6	6
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	b 25	25
" Fresh	" 25	25
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each 8	8
Mango, Manila,—Lui Sung Mong	" 12	12
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tso	doz 12	12
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tim Ching	lb 6	6
" Sweet	" 15	15
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shoi Lvy	" 10	10
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Lay	" 10	10
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	" 10	10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	" 1	1
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Poon Ti Paw Law	each 1	1</

COMMERCIAL.

Share Report.

The demand for investment stocks continues and a large business has been done during the week, the market closing firm.

Rubber is quoted from London at 4.103 per lb. firm.

Bar silver is quoted at 28.15-16 per oz. for ready and 27.1-16 for forward delivery steady.

Exchange on London opened today at 1-11 T.T.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have sold at \$850 and the market closed with further sellers at this rate; the London price is \$831.

Marine Insurance.—Unions have improved from \$860 to a buying quotation of \$865, but there are no shares offering except at an advance on this rate. North China are in demand at Tls. 145. Yangtzes remain unaltered at \$210.

Fire Insurance.—China Fire have improved from \$127 to \$130 buyers, and Hongkong Fire from \$331 to \$333 buyers, after sales at \$331 and \$332.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Amoy steamships have been placed at \$20.3-4 and \$27 and the market closed strong with buyers at the latter rate. Shell Transports improved their position, closing with buyers for London account at 11s. but at the close London quotes 10s. middle price.

Indo-China show a slight decline, shares now being obtainable locally at \$75. China and Manila are quiet at \$11.3-4.

Star Ferries are still in demand at \$30 for the old and \$19 for the new shares, but they are firmly held and there are none obtainable except at an advance.

Mining.—Raubs have changed hands from \$4 to \$120, the market closing quiet at the former figure. Langkats close with buyers at Tls. 72.1-2.

Refineries.—China Sugars have declined from \$110 to \$107 sellers. Luzons are steady at \$31.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong Docks are in demand at \$45 and Kowloon Wharves at \$57. Shanghai Docks are quoted at Tls. 51 sellers in the North and Hongkong Wharves at Tls. 82.1-2.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are wanted at \$102 and even a higher price might be obtained. West Point and Kowloon Lands are in request at quotations. Hongkong Hotels can be placed at \$109 for the old and \$67 for the new shares. Humphreys Estates close at \$7.1-2 after sales at \$7.1-4 and \$7.1-2.

Cotton Mills.—There have been sales of Hongkong Cottons at \$5. Ewos are quoted by cable at Tls. 80.

Miscellaneous.—Cements have been the medium of a fair business up to \$5 closing with sellers at this figure. China Provident have been booked at \$8 and at \$8.15. There is a demand for Electrics at \$22.1-4 after sales at \$22. China Borneo continue in request at \$10 without inducing sellers. Ropes have risen to buyers at \$18. Watsons have changed hands in fair quantities at \$5.40, \$5.50 and \$5.60 closing firm, with buyers at \$5.3-4. Quotations received from London by wire, to-day.

Middle Prices.

Banks 283/-
Indos 7.10/-
Shells 109/-
Anglo Malaya 17 1/2
Lankat Rubbers 50/-
Eastern Internationals 21/-
Labu 9 1/2
London Asinties 12/-
United Sordangs 11 1/2
Val d'or 2/-

Rubber Share Market.

Messrs. Zorn and Leigh-Hunt's Mid-Weekly Report on the Rubber Share Market dated March 13, contains the following:—The improvement in the Rubber Share Market which commenced last week has steadily continued, and prices are better all round on a large amount of investment buying. The satisfactory reports of Pataling and Batu Caves have been welcomed as a first indication of the excellent results which producing companies can achieve with five-shilling rubber, and the forthcoming reports of some of the other leading concerns are eagerly awaited. Yesterday's fort-

nightly auction of Plantation rubber was almost completed in the one day, the amount offered being only 482 tons. Bidding was very keen, and prices were about 1d. to 5d. higher, compared with a fortnight ago. The latest reports from the United States and the Continent show that manufacturers are in want of large quantities of the raw material, many of them evidently having held off too long in the belief that the Bank of Brazil's stock would be thrown upon the market, and having been disappointed in this expectation. The position looks very promising for Plantation companies, and the strong and buoyant tone which has developed in the share market is fully justified.

YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kowall's circular, dated April 12, contains the following:—

Our last circular, per s.s. Doodwell was despatched on the 30th ult. After the departure of the mail, a somewhat better feeling has prevailed in our market, consequent upon some orders received from a few country districts for No. 10 and 12 principally. Importers, however, were on the alert to meet the views of the comparatively fair demand, lower prices were freely accepted, thus causing a decline of \$1 to 2 to be established.

At the close, the tone is quiet but steady.

Total Sales 6,000 bales.
Unsold Stocks 38,000 bales.
Sold but undelivered in the Godown and to arrive 21,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The Mail str. Assaye and extra str. China and Hakata Maru from Bombay, and str. G. A. from Calcutta have brought in 8,733 bales for Hongkong and 10,449 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai and coast ports &c. amount to about 2,000 bales.

Local Mail.—A lot of 150 Bales 16s. was booked at \$135 and 170 Bales 20s. at \$143.

Shanghai.—Advices from this port indicate a healthier tone in the deliveries, but fresh business is still much restricted.

Japanese Yarn.—Business done, 150 Bales 20s. (Yellow Joss) at \$147 to 148 and 100 Bales 20s. (Satin) at \$150.

Rio Cotton. Bengal.—Stock nil.

Chinese.—150 small bales have changed hands at \$33 per bale; Stock 500 Bales. Quotation Bengal at \$29 to \$32 and Chinese \$30 to 34.

THE HUNT FOR HAPPINESS.

A morning paper has been holding a symposium on the subject "When Are We Happy?" One contributor says, "If we play the fool, then we can only expect to be unhappy."

That is, of course, simply a re-statement of the old Euripidean theory of the joy of that reasonableness which goes with the golden mean. The trouble is that it is so frightfully difficult to discover exactly in what reason intrinsically lies. Certain things are reasonable, obviously; just as there are certain things that are, according to the mass of human judgment, unreasonable. But there are also such a number of things which appear to hang in the balance. For instance, To keep a cat. Or some people turn pale green at the slightest hint of the presence of the feline quadruped. Other people rather like it when a sinuous Persian rubs itself affectionately against their shins.

Lord Roberts, whose prejudice against cats is well known, would say that it is unreasonable to keep one. One the other hand, Judge Cluer has plainly announced at Shore-ditch County Court, during a recent case, that "it is quite reasonable to keep a cat." And in that—unfortunate—state we leave the matter. Except for this: that even taking the Judge's ruling as final, you would not say that you were reasonable solely because you kept a cat; or that every cat-keeper was reasonable. That would be as false in logic, as it is in fact, to point to any particular time and say, "It is then that one is happiest," or that the preservation of the mean makes every preserver happy.—The "Globe."

Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HA-FE-ARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held on SATURDAY, the 27th April, 1912, at 12.30 p.m., at the Offices of the JOCKEY CLUB on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Club.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1912. [301]

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction, to be held on MONDAY, the 15th day of April, 1912, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND adjoining Golden Lot No. 7 Lsu Fung Lane, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at:

Antung-Hsien, Nanking, Shanghai, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, London, Lyons, Canton, Hongkong, Amoy, Swatow, Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Batavia, Surabaya, Medan, Palembang, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga, Hongkong, Canton, Amoy, Swatow, Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Batavia, Surabaya, Medan, Palembang, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1912. [202]

To Sail.

Regular Steamship Service.

FOR NEW YORK.
(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast and to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.)

S.S. "MONTROSE" { on or about 23rd April.
For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1912. [283]

Consignees.

"GEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "BENARTY,"
FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being loaded at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th April, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 25th April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th April, at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
J. B. LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [280]

Notices.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held on SATURDAY, April 13th, at 7.45 p.m. in the HONGKONG HOTEL.

Members intending to be present should notify the undersigned, giving number of guests they intend to invite.
A. HAMILTON,
Hon. Secretary.
c/o SA'YINGPUN SCHOOL.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [299]

THE SOLDIERS' CLUB.

CRICKET and FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD. Competitions should notify Mr. THORNHILL of the Soldiers' Club.
Entrance Fee \$5.
H. K. 2nd March, 1912. [215]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 875 lbs. net.
In Bags of 250 lbs. net.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
H. K. 1st March, 1910. [36]

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By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Club.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1912. [301]

Banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Depository of the U.S. Government in the Philippines and the Republic of Panama.
Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York.
London Office: 25, Abchurch Lane, E.C. 4.

BRANCHES:—
Bombay, Calcutta, Cebu, Colon, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.
DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for the year at 4 1/2 per cent. or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.
COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.
PURCHASE and Sale of Stocks and Shares effected.
The Officers of the Bank are bound not to disclose the transactions of any of its customers.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [19]

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 10,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL " 30,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 17,500,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at:

Antung-Hsien, Nanking, Shanghai, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, London, Lyons, Canton, Hongkong, Amoy, Swatow, Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Batavia, Surabaya, Medan, Palembang, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

Public Companies.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.
Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-Sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1912, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of account to 31st December, 1911, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 13th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1912. [290]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of account to 31st December, 1911, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The Transfer Books of the Society will be closed from 13th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1912. [289]

THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

EIGHT FAMINE DISTRICTS with an area of 30,000 square miles.
Two and a half million people.
Facing starvation.
PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO-DAY.
IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE.

Treasurer, H. C. GULLAND, Esq.,
Manager, International Banking Corporation, Shanghai.
Hongkong, 24th Jan., 1912. [111]

AGENTS IN JAPAN.

Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING and Exchange business transacted.

Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. C. MACDONALD,
Manager.

H. K. 1st March, 1910. [36]

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PRO-PRRIETORS \$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
E. H. Armstrong, Esq., Chairman.
F. H. Armstrong, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
Andrew Forbes, Esq., G. H. Mathews, Esq.,
G. F. P. Leung, Esq., W. L. P. Leung, Esq.,
C. S. Gubbay, Esq., Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross,
G. R. Laurence, Esq., E. A. Siebs, Esq.,
F. Lieb, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. STARR.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. H. HUNTER.

LOAN BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. On Fixed Deposits at the rate of 4 per cent.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVING BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4 1/2 per cent. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,200,000.
RESERVE FUND \$1,650,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$1,200,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted. CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [22]

DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—Sh. Tseks 7,500,000.
HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BERLIN.

BRANCHES:—
Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:—
Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons, The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited, Bank of England, Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London, Agencys.

DIRECTOR DR. FRITZ GRESSEL-SCHAFY.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHEIDT,
Manager.
Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2]

THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Ant. and Capital \$1,500,000.
S. Capital " 1,325,000.
Paid Up " 562,000.
Reserve Fund " 365,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—
40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES:—
Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, Kanton, Madras, Rangoon, Shanghai, Yokohama.

AGENTS IN JAPAN:—
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

BANKERS:—
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. C. MACDONALD,
Manager.

H. K. 1st March, 1910. [36]

Exchange.

Selling.

T/T. 1/11 1/2
Demand 1/11 5/16
0 d/s 1/11 1/2
30 d/s 1/11 7/16
1 m/s 1/11 1/2
1/2 Japan 7/2
1/2 India 14 1/2
Demand India 14 1/2
1/2 San Francisco and New York 47 1/2
1/2 T. Marks 116 1/2
1/2 T. Marks 180
1/2 T. Marks 24 1/2

4 m/s. L/O 1/11 1/2
4 m/s. D/P 1/11 1/2
4 m/s. L/C 1/11 1/2
30 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne 2/-
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York 48
4 m/s. Marks 304
4 m/s. France 24 1/2
4 m/s. do 25 1/2
Bar Silver, really 26 15/16
forward 27 1/16
Bank of England rate 3 1/2
overseas 10 2/4

Subsidiary Coins.

Discount per \$100.
Chinese 20 cts. pieces \$6 1/2
Chinese 10 " " \$7 1/2
Hongkong 20 " " \$8
Hongkong 10 " " \$7 3/4

Opium Quotation.
April 13.
Malwa, New \$3,400 per ctn.
Malwa, Old 3,600 " "
Malwa, V. Old 3,075 " "
Persian, fine quality 1,725 " "
Patna, New 4,200 per ctn.
Patna, Old 4,100 " "
Bombar, New 4,200 " "
Bombar, Old 4,100 " "

SHARE REPORT.

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE. CLOSING QUOTES. LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.

BANKS.

Hongkong & Shanghai \$125 \$850 " \$25.00 at ex 1/10/11 equal to \$24.27 for 1 year ending 31-12-11 \$2 equal \$22.32 for 1 year ending 30 June 1911

MARINE INSURANCE.

Canton \$50 \$205 b. \$16 for 1910
North China 25 \$145 b. Interim of 10/- for 1910
Union \$100 \$205 b. Final of \$30 making \$50 for 1909 and Interim of \$30 for 1910
Yangtze 250 \$210 \$12 for 1 09 and Int. of \$3 on account of 1910

FIRE INSURANCE.

China Fire \$20 \$130 b. \$7 & 1/2 of \$2 for 1911
Hongkong Fire \$50 \$385 b. \$27 for 1910
China & Manilla \$25 \$112 \$1 for 1908
Douglas Steamships \$50 \$21 5 p.c. for year end'g 30-6-11
Steamboats \$15 \$27 b. Dividend of \$1 for 1911 year ending 31-12-11

Indo-China (Preferred) 25 \$77 a. 3% final making 6% for 1908 6% div. for 1909 on preferred shares

"Shell" Transports 21 \$114- 1/2 per share Coupon No 15 2/8 per share Coupon No. 16 for 1910.

"Star Ferry" \$10 \$31 Div. 7 p. c. for year end-Don. 5 p. c. ing 30.4.11

China Sugars \$100 \$108 \$10 for 1910
Luzon Sugars \$100 \$81 \$5 for 1897

Chinese Engineering \$1 \$7 1/8 Interim of 1/- on account for year ending 28.2.11 (Coupon No. 16)

Tronols 21 72 1/2 b. ex. div. 1s. 2d. per share on 150,000

Rams Docks, Wharves, & Godowns \$50 \$57 \$3 for year ending

Is a Yorus Moss Central in the City of Victoria, B.C.